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Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 4632-37

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Kimikazu Kaneto et al.) Group Art Unit: 1725
Serial No.: 10/009,633) Examiner: Len Tran
Filed: December 21, 2001)
For: Method and Apparatus for)
Compacting Molding Sand)

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated August 5, 2003, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I, claims 1-5 and 12-24 and Group II, claims 6-13 and 25-27. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group II, claims 6-13 and 25-27 drawn to a method.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated September 4, 2003

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